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FOR: POLYNUCLEOTIDE PARTICIPATING IN RHEUMATOID ARTHRITIS AND
UTILIZATION OF THE SAME

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RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR § 1.111

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed October 30, 2009, consideration of the following amendments and remarks is respectfully requested. If any fee is required to consider this response, the undersigned authorizes the fee (or any deficiency therein) to be charged to Deposit Account 14-1140 under Order No. 1035-653.

The **claims** are presented on pages 2-5.

Claims 7-10 are amended.

Claims 1-6 and 11-12 are canceled without prejudice or disclaimer.

Claims 13-14 are added.

Remarks begin on page 6.